

MARVEL



PLUS:
CAP + CYCLOPS

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Q: I don't mean to pry, but...why is this comic glowing?
A: It's **GLOWING** because this isn't a **NORMAL** comic, friend. This is a **MERRY MARVEL TIME MACHINE**.
Q: ...Come again?
A: Our first story in this book sends us to a time in the Marvel Universe gone by...it has **SPIDER-MAN**, long before he was an **AVENGER**...back when he was **PETER PARKER**, a friendly neighborhood kid from Queens, teaming up with the X-Men's resident psychic ninja **PSYLOCKE**! A tale from back when **CHARLES XAVIER** was alive and calling the shots and all marvelous mutants had **POUCHES**.
Q: I've seen my fair share of time travel cinema. Is this comic going to be able to bring me back to the present without consequences?
A: Bring you back? **YES**. Without consequences? I make **NO PROMISES**. Our second story takes us to the forefront of **Marvel NOW!** where we have the fourth chapter of an epic team-up between **CYCLOPS**, leader of the X-Men, and **CAPTAIN AMERICA**, the leader of the Avengers. The two are on a mission to get a group of **RENEGADE SKRULLS** off Earth so they can prevent a **GALACTIC CATASTROPHE**!
Q: Fourth chapter? Do I need to know any continuity?
A: **CONTINUITY?** Where we're going we don't **NEED** continuity.



the **AMAZING
SPIDER-MAN**

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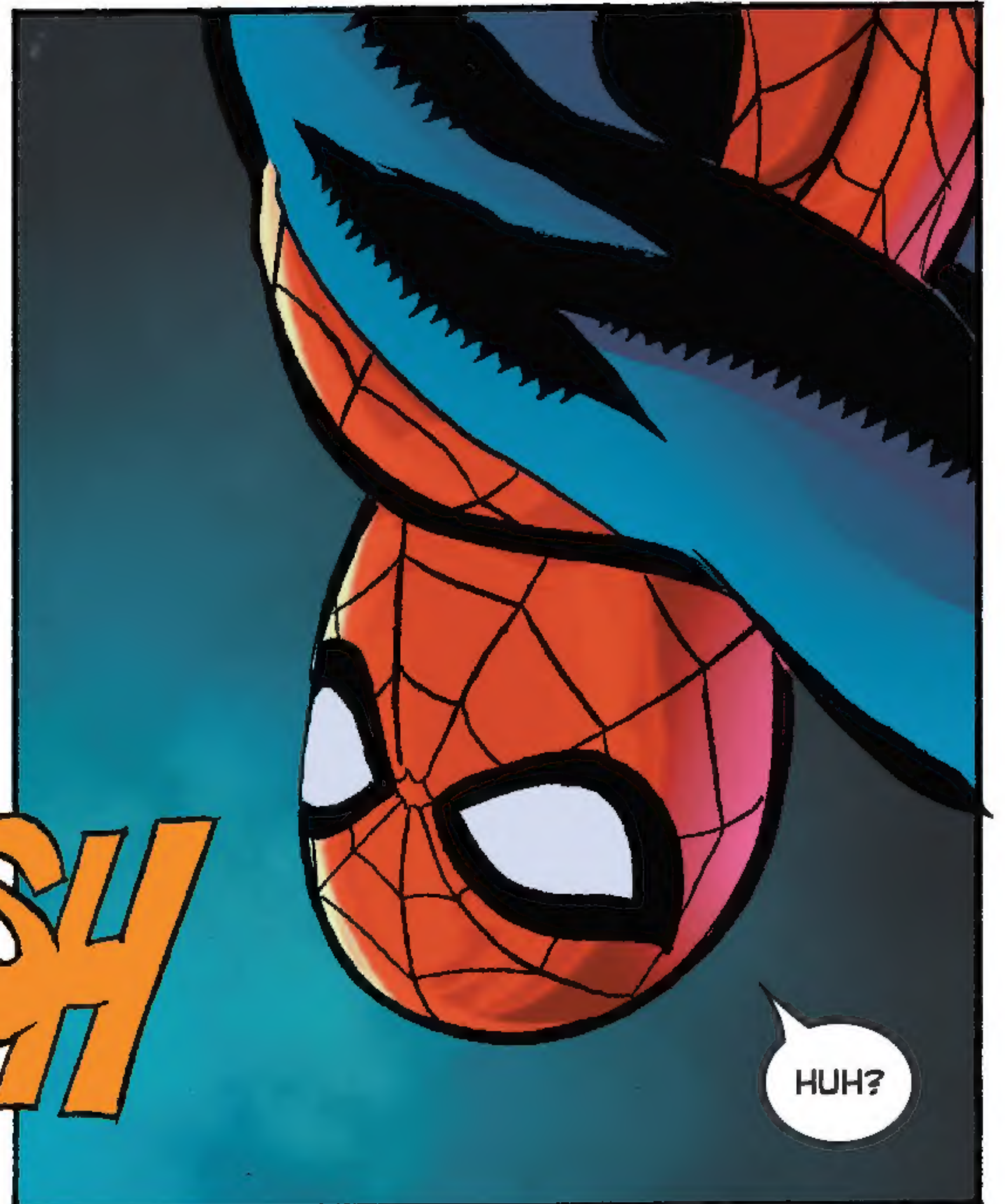
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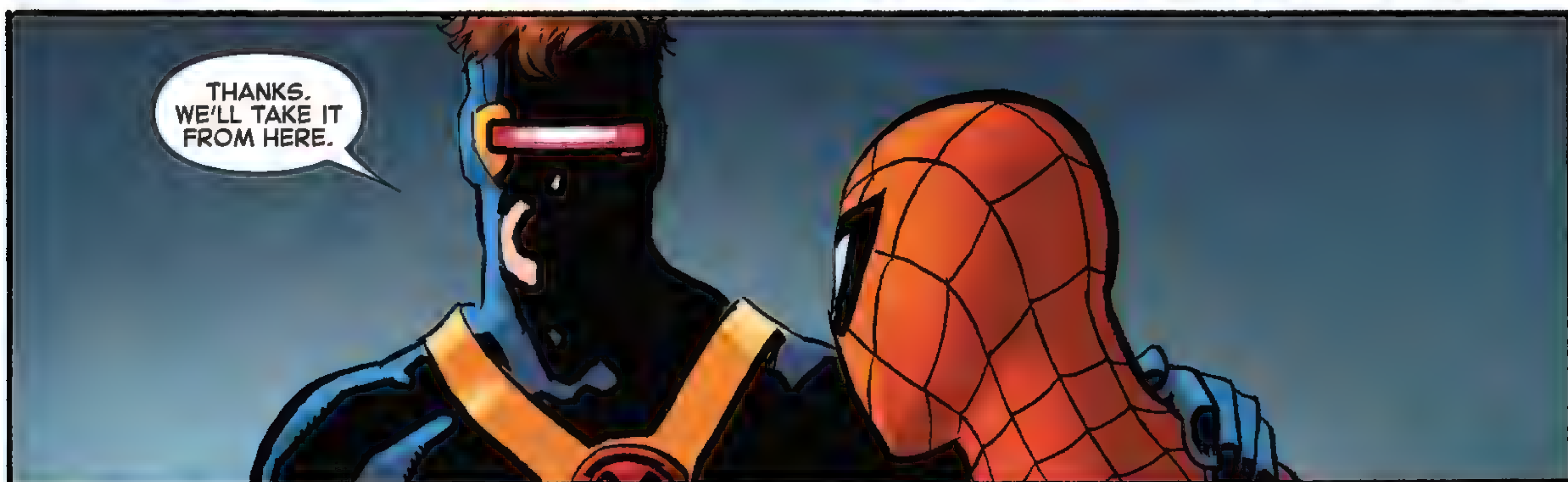


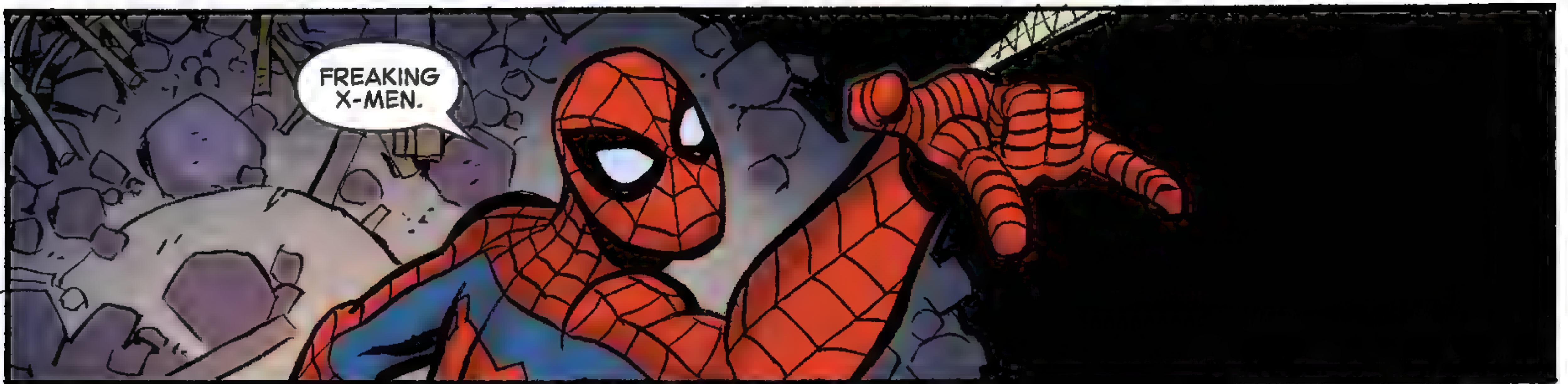
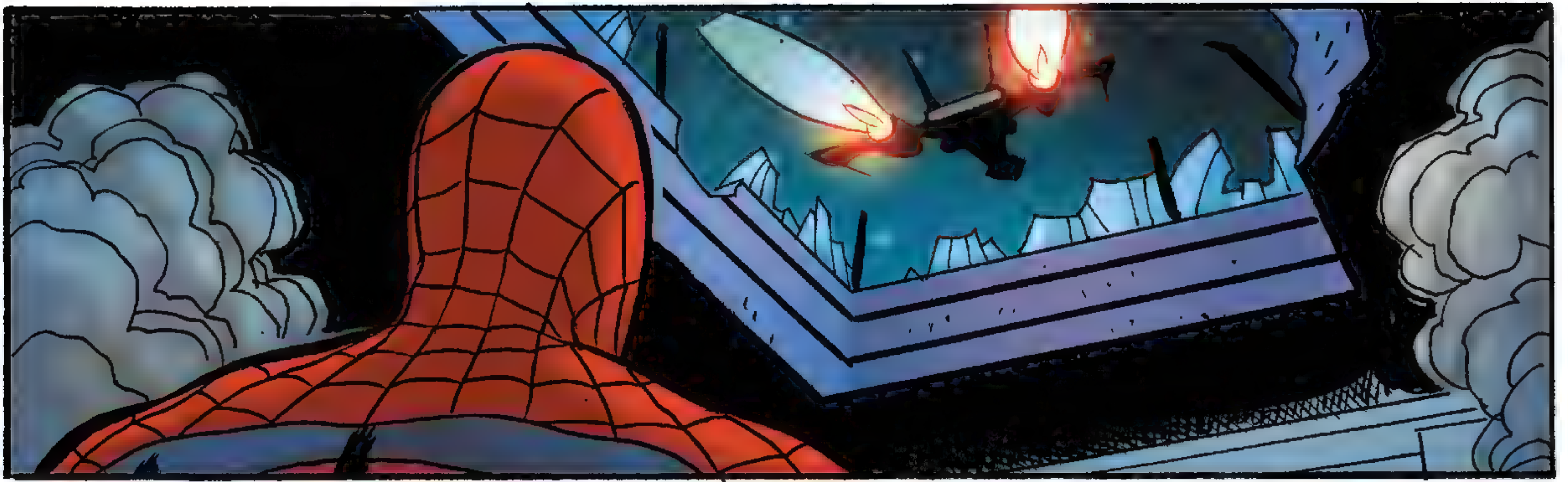












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THE END.

MIDLAND,
SOUTH DAKOTA...

"IF THE STORIES ON THE
INTERNET ARE TRUE,
BRYSON'S BISONS WAS
DESTROYED...BY PEOPLE
IN COSTUMES."

SAGITTARIAN FARMS







THREE
AGAINST ONE
IS HARDLY A
FAIR FIGHT...



NO, FOUR
ON ONE WHO
IS THE WOMAN
LURKING IN THE
BACKGROUND?

WHUMP



ZZARK

THAT
TICKLES.

AH, THERE YOU
ARE, MISS FROST.
PROFESSOR XAVIER
TOLD ME ALL ABOUT
YOU WHEN HE WAS
HELPING ME FIRST
WIELD MY TELEPATHIC
POWERS...



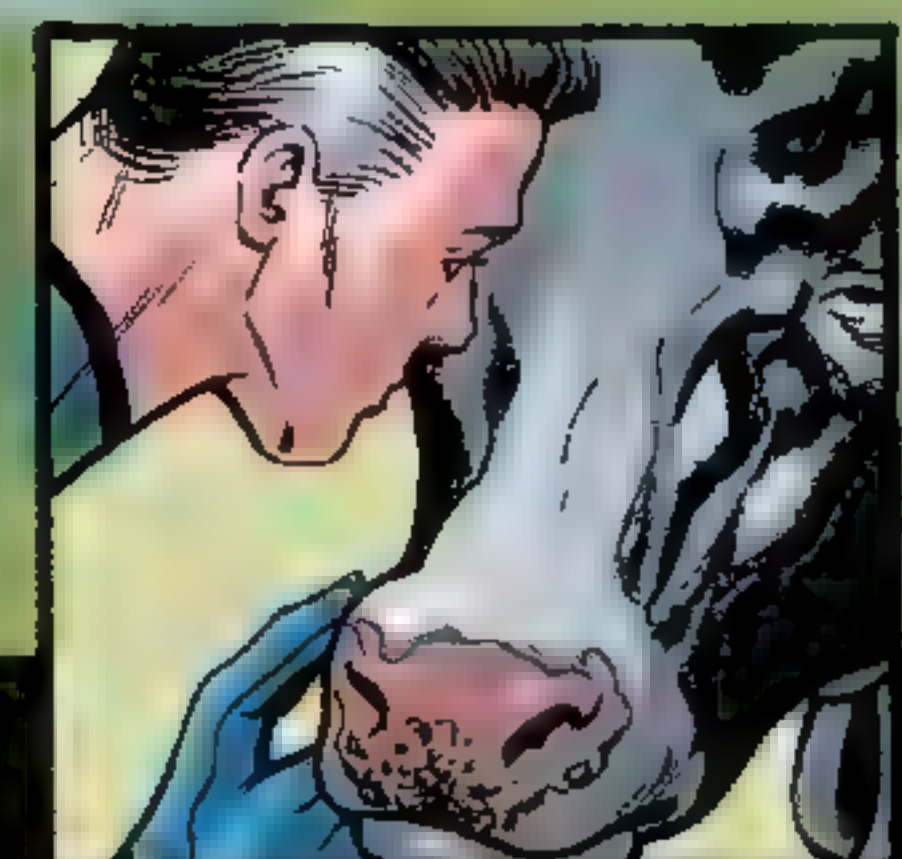
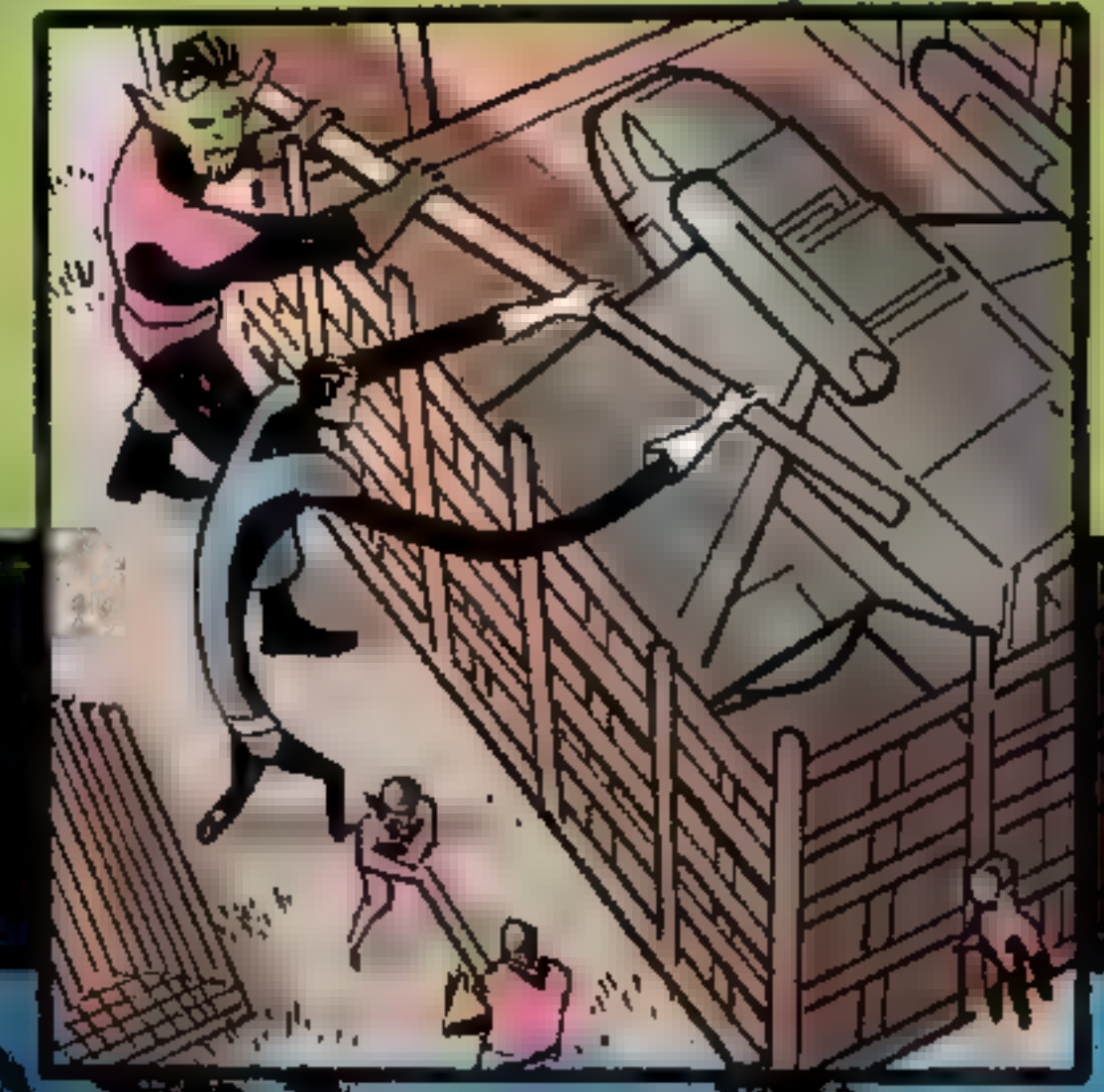
JUST
REMEMBER.
YOU STARTED
THIS FIGHT.

STEADY. BEFORE WE KNOCK HER ON HER ASS, LET ME CHECK UNDER THE HOOD.

SHE

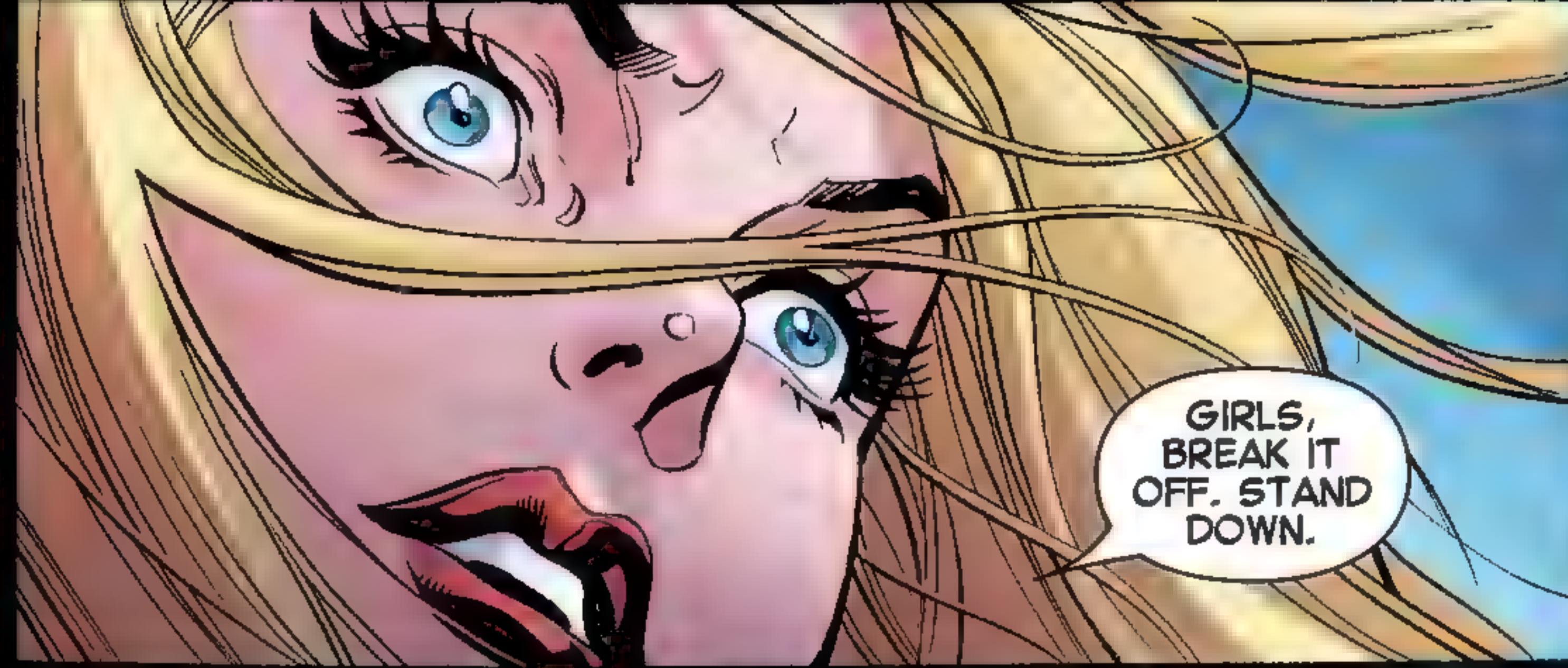
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STRONG.

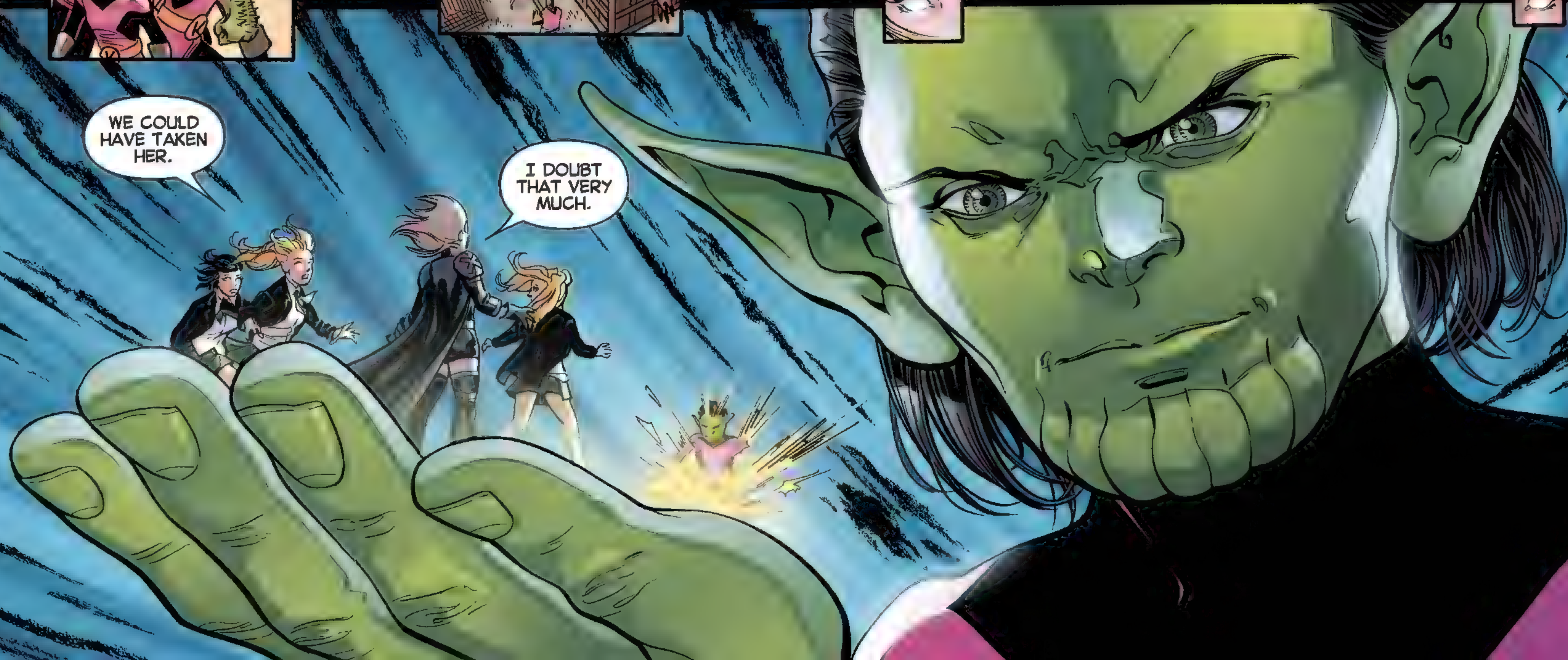


WE COULD HAVE TAKEN HER.

I DOUBT THAT VERY MUCH.



GIRLS, BREAK IT OFF. STAND DOWN.







I CAN'T SEE **EVERYTHING** BECAUSE Z'CANN HERE WAS TRAINED BY XAVIER... BUT I CAN TELL YOU THESE SKRULLS ARE **NOT** ENGAGED IN ANY ACTIVE PLOT AGAINST US.

SO CAN WE GO HOME NOW? I'M COLD AND I'VE GOT BLOOD ON MY LEATHER.



IF YOU'RE NOT HERE FOR REVENGE, WHAT ARE YOU HERE FOR?

IT'S SIMPLE. WE HAD NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN. OUR OWN RACE DESPISES US, AND CALLS US "DEVIANTS." OUR PEOPLE ATTACK AND HUNT US DOWN.



AND OUR HOMEWORLD IS DESTROYED. EVERY SKRULL IS A NOMAD NOW.

WE JUST WANTED TO LIVE IN PEACE.

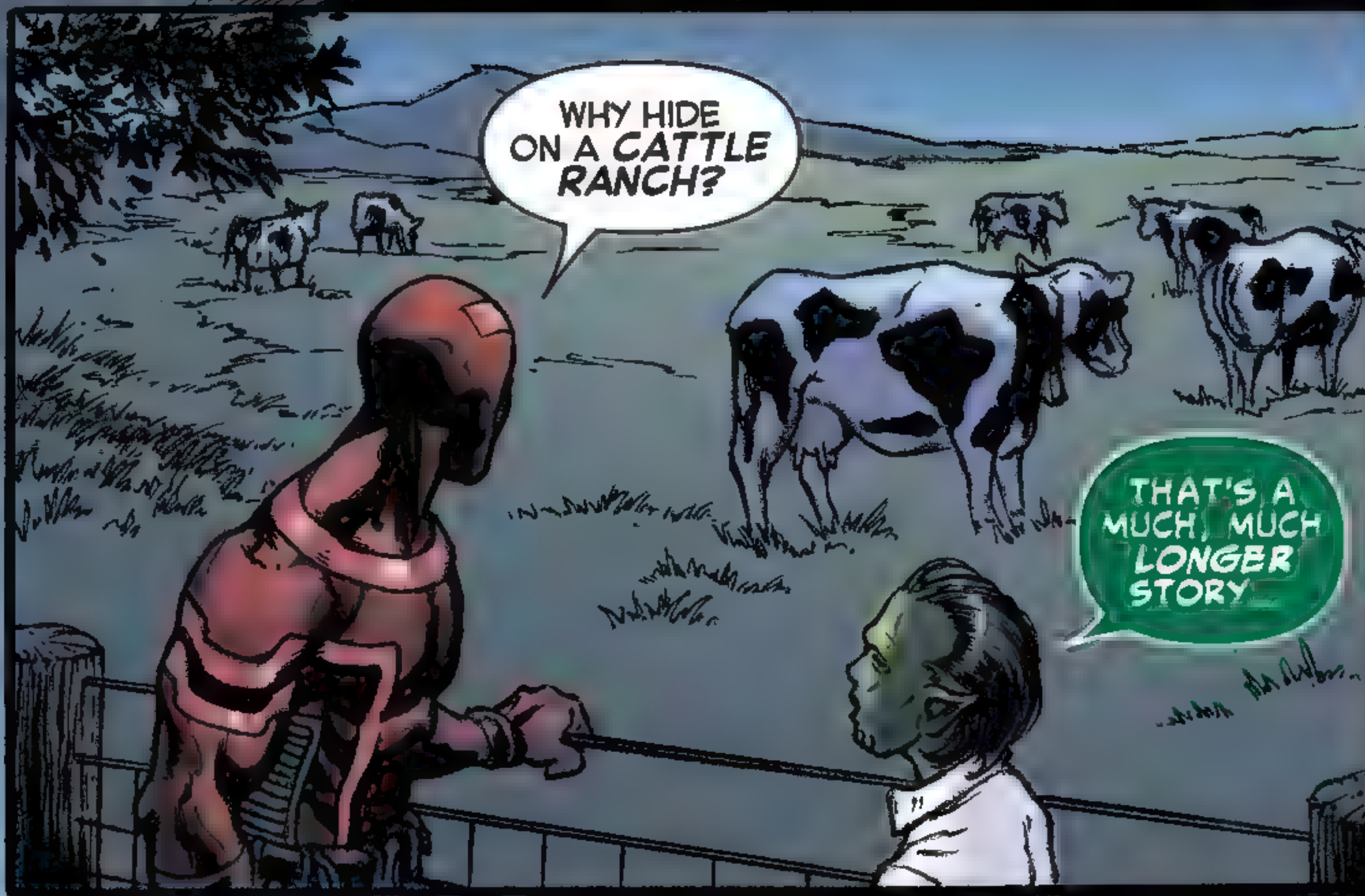
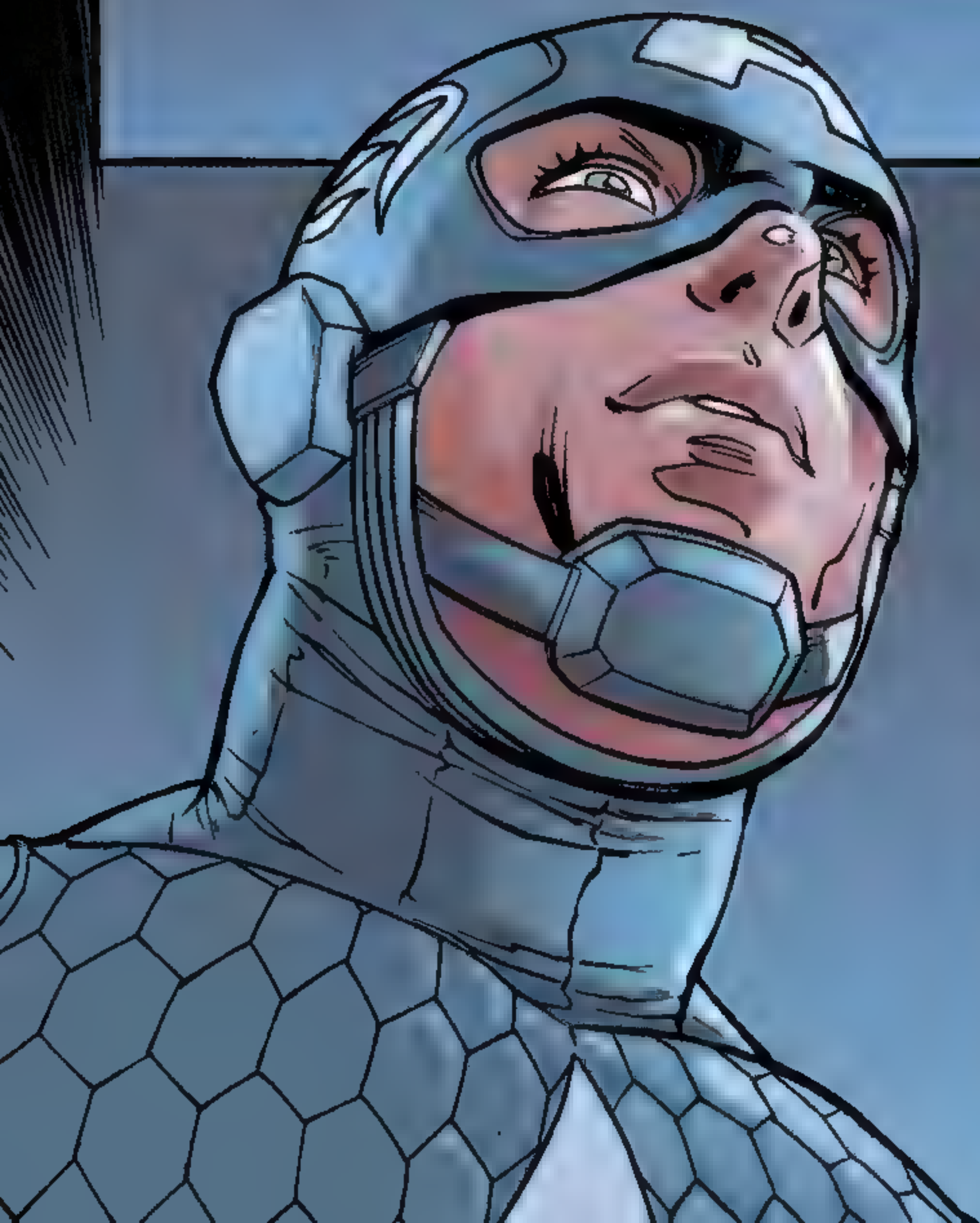
SO YOU HID WHERE YOUR OWN PEOPLE WOULD NEVER LOOK: RIGHT HERE ON EARTH.

IT WAS MORE THAN THAT.



MAN... YOUR OPTIC BLAST PACKS A WALLOP.

WE DIDN'T JUST LAND OUR SHIP HERE BY ACCIDENT. CHARLES SPOKE OF HIS COUNTRY AS A PLACE WHERE YOU COULD SUCCEED NOT DESPITE YOUR DIFFERENCES, BUT BECAUSE OF THEM.



WHY HIDE ON A CATTLE RANCH?

THAT'S A MUCH, MUCH LONGER STORY.



COME. THESE GENTLE CREATURES ARE NO LONGER COWS.

WHY WOULD YOU DO THIS?

WE WOULD NEVER. SOME YEARS BACK, REED RICHARDS SAW FIT TO TURN SOME OF OUR PEOPLE INTO COWS.

FOR MANY YEARS, OUR PEOPLE WERE IN YOUR FOOD CHAIN. THE CONSUMPTION OF OUR PEOPLE EVEN BEGAN TO ALTER SOME HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY.

NOW WE PROTECT OUR PEOPLE, AND EVOLUTION IS TURNING THE SKRULL-BOVINE HYBRIDS INTO WELL, SOMETHING ELSE.

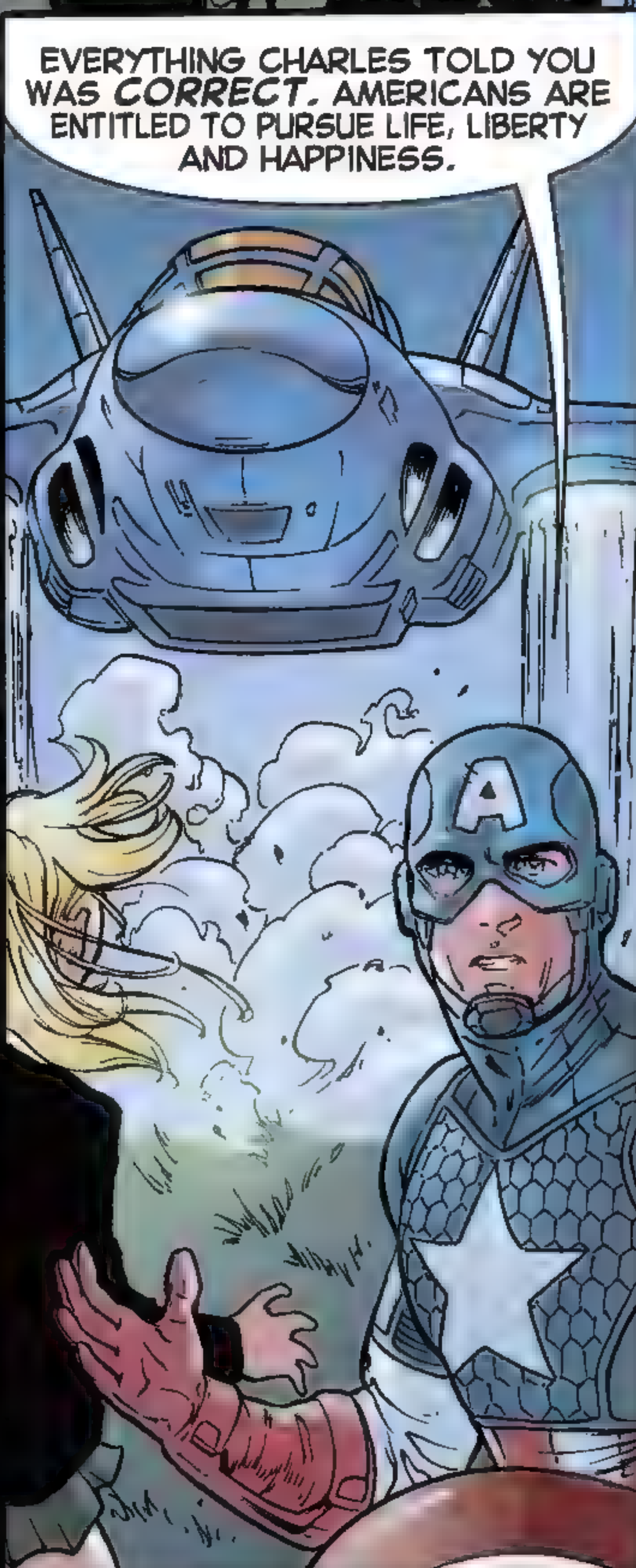


I'LL BE EATING SALADS FOR A YEAR. I HAVE SO MANY QUESTIONS.

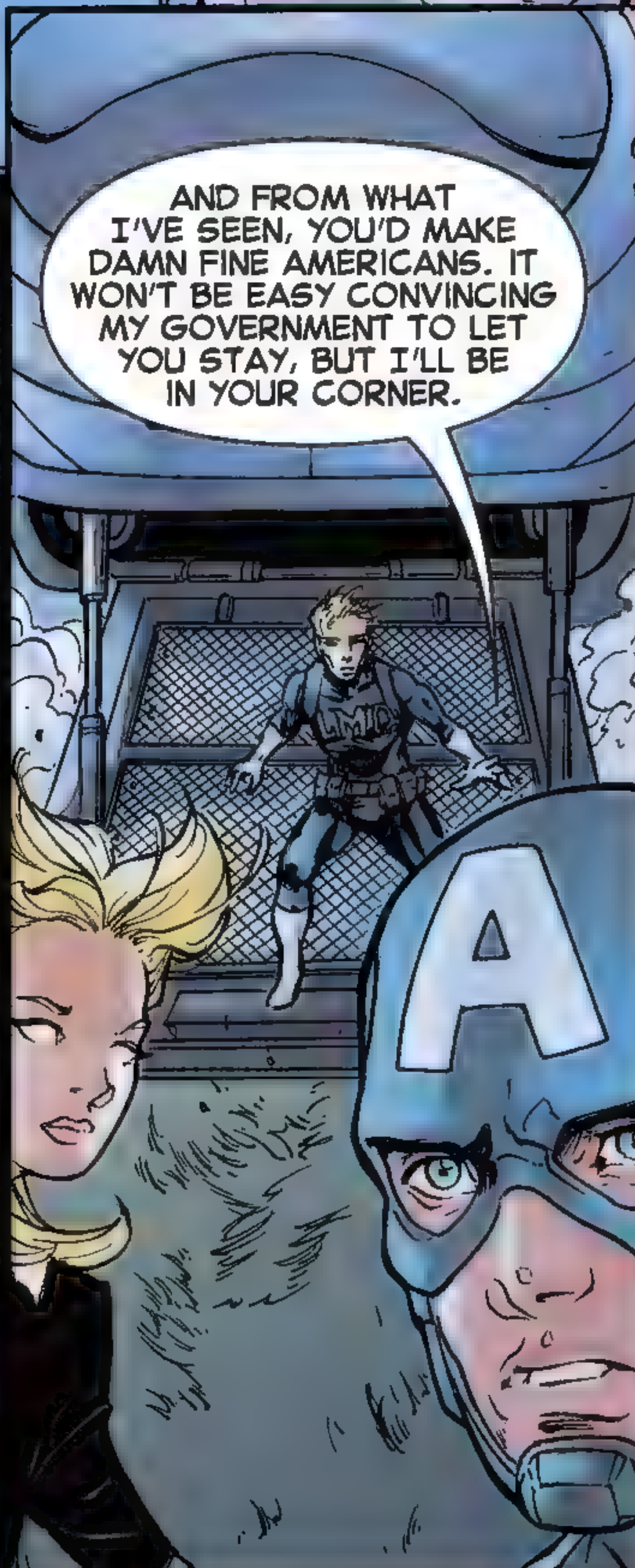
DID SUE KNOW? SHE WOULD NEVER LET REED DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS, WOULD SHE?

WE BUY ANY HERDS THAT COME FROM SKRULL STOCK AND PROTECT THEM, THEN WE RAISE BISON TO EAT. JUST BEING SAFE ON THAT SCORE.

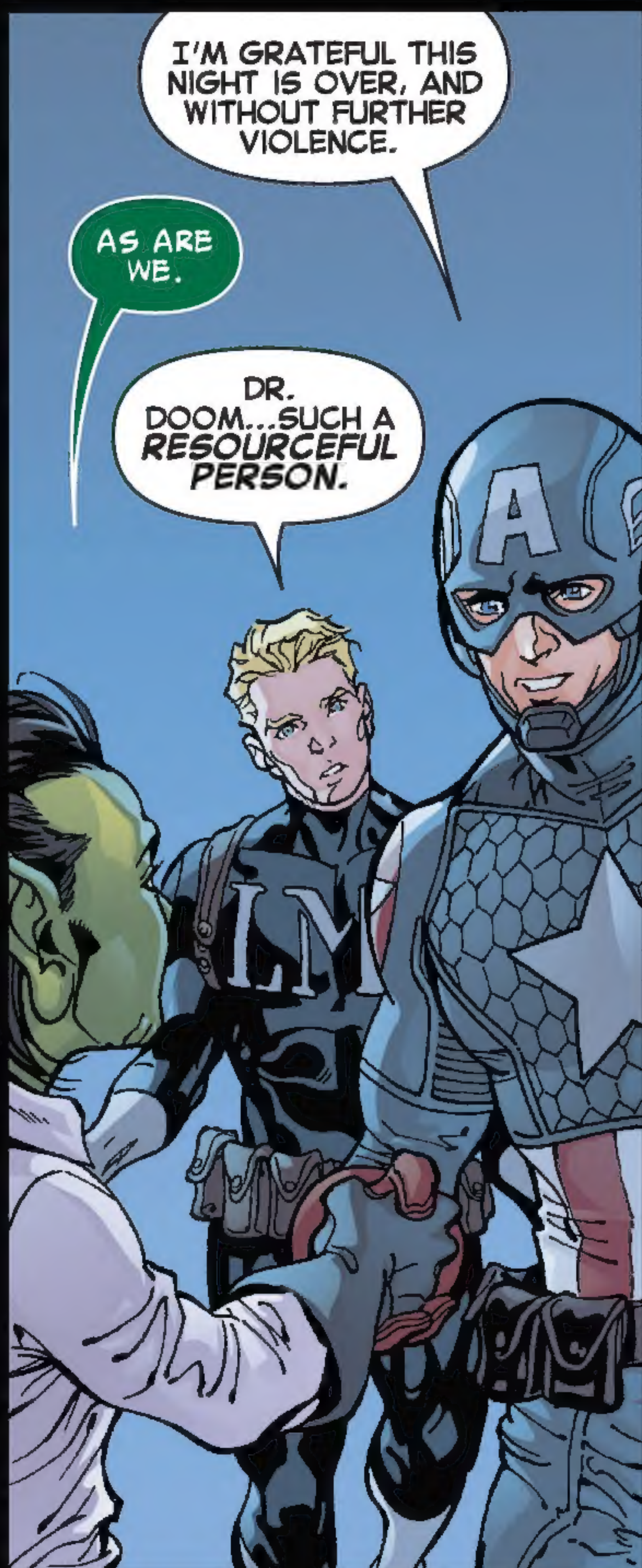
WE JUST WANT TO LIVE OUR LIVES QUIETLY HERE IN SOUTH DAKOTA. IT'S HOME NOW.



EVERYTHING CHARLES TOLD YOU WAS CORRECT. AMERICANS ARE ENTITLED TO PURSUE LIFE, LIBERTY AND HAPPINESS.



AND FROM WHAT I'VE SEEN, YOU'D MAKE DAMN FINE AMERICANS. IT WON'T BE EASY CONVINCING MY GOVERNMENT TO LET YOU STAY, BUT I'LL BE IN YOUR CORNER.





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COMING. DOOM. DOOM.
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I THINK I KNOW
WHY DOOM'S
INTERESTED IN
THE SKRULLS.

SO
DO I.

YOU HAVE
A PLAN?

OF
COURSE I HAVE
A PLAN.

I HATE IT,
BUT I HAVE
ONE.



X-MEN,
AVENGERS, AND
CADRE K...GATHER
ROUND. HERE'S WHAT
WE'RE GOING
TO DO...

TO BE CONTINUED!

NEXT ISSUE:





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